

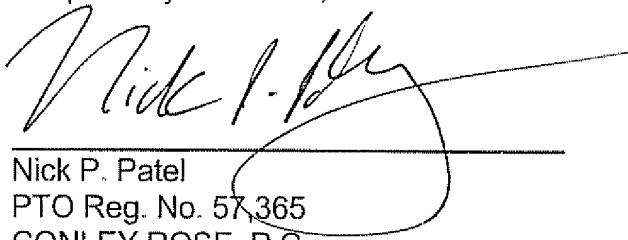
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Appellant filed a Notice of Appeal on March 21, 2006 and subsequently filed an Appeal Brief on March 23, 2006. The Examiner called the undersigned on June 6, 2006 and suggested that if Appellant filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) along with an amendment that complied with the Examiner's suggestions, the case would be allowed. Specifically, the Examiner suggested that the limitation of dependent claim 14 be incorporated into independent claim 1 and that the limitation of dependent claim 26 be incorporated into independent claim 16.

This Amendment complies with the Examiner's suggestions by canceling dependent claim 14 and incorporating the limitation of claim 14 into independent claim 1. Likewise, the Amendment complies with the Examiner's suggestions by canceling dependent claim 26 and incorporating the limitation of claim 26 into independent claim 16.

As Appellant has fully complied with the Examiner's suggestions, Appellant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Conley Rose Deposit Account No. 03-2769.

Respectfully submitted,



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